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Applicant:

Edward J. Gough et al.

Serial No.:

08/963,239

Filing Date:

November 3, 1997

For:

MULTIPLE ANTENNA ABLATION APPARATUS AND METHOD

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application, filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AiPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on February 21, 2003.

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)

- b. \boxtimes Enclosed
 - Petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) with copies of items a-f cited therein
 - Petition for 3-Month Extension of Time

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2.	Misce	scellaneous							
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3.	<u>Fees</u>	The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when RCE is filed.							
	 A check in the amount of \$840.00 is enclosed to cover the following fee □ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) (\$375.00) □ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §1.136 and §1.17) (\$465.00) 								
	\boxtimes	Other – A check in the amount of \$130 covering the Petition fee.							
	\boxtimes	The Director is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment in fees (o credit any overpayments) to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.							
			Respectfully submitted,						
Date:	Ju	y 21, 2003	Jacqueline F. Mahoney Registration No. 48,390						
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PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD Effective October 1, 2001

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